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## PRESS RELEASE

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**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT - OCTOBER 1<sup>st</sup>;**  
*KILLEEN TO JOIN CITIES NATIONWIDE FOR*  
**'AMERICA'S NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME'**

On Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, neighborhoods throughout Killeen are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "30th Annual National Night Out" (NNO) crime and drug prevention event.

National Night Out is designed to: (1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime efforts; (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community partnerships; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

From 6 to 9 p.m. on October 1<sup>st</sup>, residents in neighborhoods throughout Killeen and across the nation are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and police. Neighborhoods are encouraged to host a variety of events such as block parties, cookouts, contests, and youth activities. Call and register your neighborhood so they will get a visit from the police department, fire department and McGruff the Crime Dog.

"The National Night Out program is an outstanding campaign to help build neighborhood unity and strengthen police-community partnerships. On October 1<sup>st</sup>, we invite citizens of Killeen and neighborhoods nationwide to join forces with us to give Crime & Drugs a Going Away Party." It's also a chance to have a really good time!

**If you would like to register your neighborhood or find out more information please contact Tammy Moseley at 501-8805.**

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